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Subject: **FOIA request for US EPA Region 6 records concerning  
Public Water System (PWS) ID 063568423 for the Town of Cochiti  
Lake, New Mexico**

Hello,

**EPA RECORDS JURISDICTION ...**

This letter is a FOIA request for EPA Region 6 records concerning the TOWN OF COCHITI LAKE (New Mexico) and its public water system having the following PWS id and name;

PWS ID: 063568423  
CWS Name: COCHITI LAKE WATER SYSTEM

This public water system is located in COCHITI PUEBLO (New Mexico) and is managed by Cochiti Pueblo entity CCDC (Cochiti Community Development Corporation). It is understood that this water system is overseen by the EPA Region 6 TRIBAL DRINKING WATER PROGRAM.

**FOIA RECORDS REQUEST ...**

*This is a personal request, not a commercial request.*

The following EPA water system records are requested for the following date range:

Starting date: January 2013  
Ending date: Present

I request that the requested records be emailed to me at the email address appearing at the top of this letter.

- [1] All correspondence (e.g. letters, emails, telephone/computer-video audio recordings, etc.) between EPA and public water system

**UPDATE:**

*By "all correspondence" I mean the correspondence between EPA Region 6 employees in the Tribal Lands Water group whose EPA responsibilities includes interacting with Public Water System (PWS) 063568423. Such communication would include emails, letters, documents from these employees to PWS employees and vice-versa. Such EPA employees would include Ms. Kim Ngo, Ms. Meaghan Bresnahan, Mr. Jose Rodriguez.*

*You stated that I should **"include specific information about each record sought, such as the date, title or name, author, recipient, and subject matter"**. I have no information about any of the information you list here and as such cannot provide such information. But I am more than willing to fly to your Dallas headquarters, sit in front of the computers for each of these employees, read all of their emails and then I can provide you with a list of the emails that I find pertinent to my request. Same for any letters they have written once I review all of their computer's correspondence documents.*

*Frankly, what you ask here is ludicrous and my prior FOIA requests to EPA Region 6 for this water system have never been required to provide this level of specificity for EPA communications and the communication was provided to me.*

- [2] All SANITARY SURVEY REPORTS (SSR) prepared by EPA
- [3] All COMPLIANCE TRACKING SHEETS prepared by the public water system related to any deficiencies listed in the SANITARY SURVEY REPORTS (SSR)
- [4] All CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORTS (CCR) prepared by public water system
- [5] All CERTIFICATION FORMS prepared by the public water system which describe how the CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORTS (CCR) are distributed to public water system customers
- [6] All water test result analytical reports prepared for the public water system; this includes both SOURCE and DISTRIBUTION tests where it is understood that the SOURCE tests include comprehensive tests and the DISTRIBUTION tests include minimal tests (e.g. bacteria only)

**UPDATE:**

*I am requesting the laboratory test reports produced for this PWS. The laboratory that I understand produces these tests is named HALL ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS LABORATORY located in Albuquerque New Mexico. But there may be other laboratories involved. A sample HEAL test report is attached with this FOIA request.*

*It is my understanding that when a PWS has its water system water quality tested, the water testing facility provides a copy of the water test results to both the PWS and EPA.*

*By SOURCE I mean water that is tested at the water source, in this case this PWS has 2 wells. It is my understanding that these SOURCE tests are rather comprehensive and test for a large number of items for which I am not cognizant about the test specifics. I am not aware of the number of such SOURCE tests conducted, but suspect at least once a week since August 11, 2017.*

*By DISTRIBUTION I mean water that is tested within the town itself, such as at a town public building or at a town residence. It is my understanding that these DISTRIBUTION tests are rather limited and test for items such as bacteria (Total Coliform, E. Coli) and 1 or two other items only (e.g. Residual Chlorine). It is my understanding that the PWS tested its DISTRIBUTION water at 5 sites within the town from August 11, 2017 to the present on a daily basis. As such, there should be a large number of these test reports that were provided to the EPA.*

- [7] All CHAIN OF CUSTODY prepared by the public water system which describe the water sample collection location
- [8] All EXEMPTIONS the EPA may have relating to any aspect of the public water system which includes but is not limited to exemptions from water testing, water system customer notifications
- [9] All EPA communications to the public water system concerning water boiling notices

#### **FOIA RECORDS FEE WAIVER ...**

I request the EPA waive all fees resulting from this records request due to this request contributing to an understanding of the subject by the public is likely to result from disclosure.

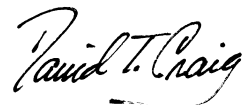
I and others in my municipality who are water system customers will directly benefit from the disclosure of these records by better understanding critical water quality and system information for this town's public water system.

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Please let me know the availability and possible cost of the requested materials. You may contact me at my email address appearing above.

Thank you very much for your time.

Sincerely,



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